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For the corresponding period in 1908 there have been reported 24 cases (including 6 cases now under treatment) and 8 deaths, the number of foci reported being 19 and extending from Santiago de Cuba, near the eastern end of the island, to Habana, near the western end.

*Report from Matanzas—Inspection of vessels.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nuñez reports, February 25:

Week ended February 22. Bills of health were granted to 7 vessels clearing for the United States, carrying an aggregate number of 147 members of crews and 6 passengers in transit, of which 4 were bound from Buenos Aires to New York and 2 from Habana to Galveston via Matanzas. No quarantinable diseases were reported during the week.

*Report from Santiago—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—  
Work of fumigation continued.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, February 26:

Week ended February 22. Bills of health issued to 6 vessels bound for the United States. The British steamship *Sheppy Allison*, bound for Philadelphia, was fumigated. The work of fumigating the lower part of the town was finished last week; about 15 to 20 city blocks were fumigated.

HAWAII.

*Report from Honolulu—Case of plague at Hilo bacteriologically confirmed—Examination of rats for plague infection.*

Chief Quarantine Officer Cofer reports, March 9:

The case of plague reported February 24 as having occurred at Hilo, February 22, has been confirmed bacteriologically. (See Public Health Reports, March 6, 1908, p. 285.)

Passed Assistant Surgeon Currie reports that during the week ended February 15, 184 rats were examined bacteriologically at the plague laboratory of the Service at Honolulu. No plague infection found.

INDIA.

*Reports from Calcutta—Transactions of Service—Cholera, plague, and smallpox—Plague in India and Bengal.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Eakins reports, February 5:

During the week ended February 1 a bill of health was issued to the steamship *Clan Ferguson*, bound for Philadelphia and New York with a total crew of 78. The usual precautions were taken, the holds fumigated, rat guards placed on the wharf lines, and the Asiatics' effects disinfected.

During the week ended January 18 there were 27 deaths from cholera, 13 from plague, and 8 from smallpox in Calcutta. In Bengal during the same period there were 363 cases of plague, with 298 deaths; and in India 3,905 cases of plague, with 3,150 deaths.